



TAKING THE SEARCH OUT OF SEARCH AND RESCUE

**HOW NASA IS IMPROVING
FINDING PEOPLE IN DISTRESS**

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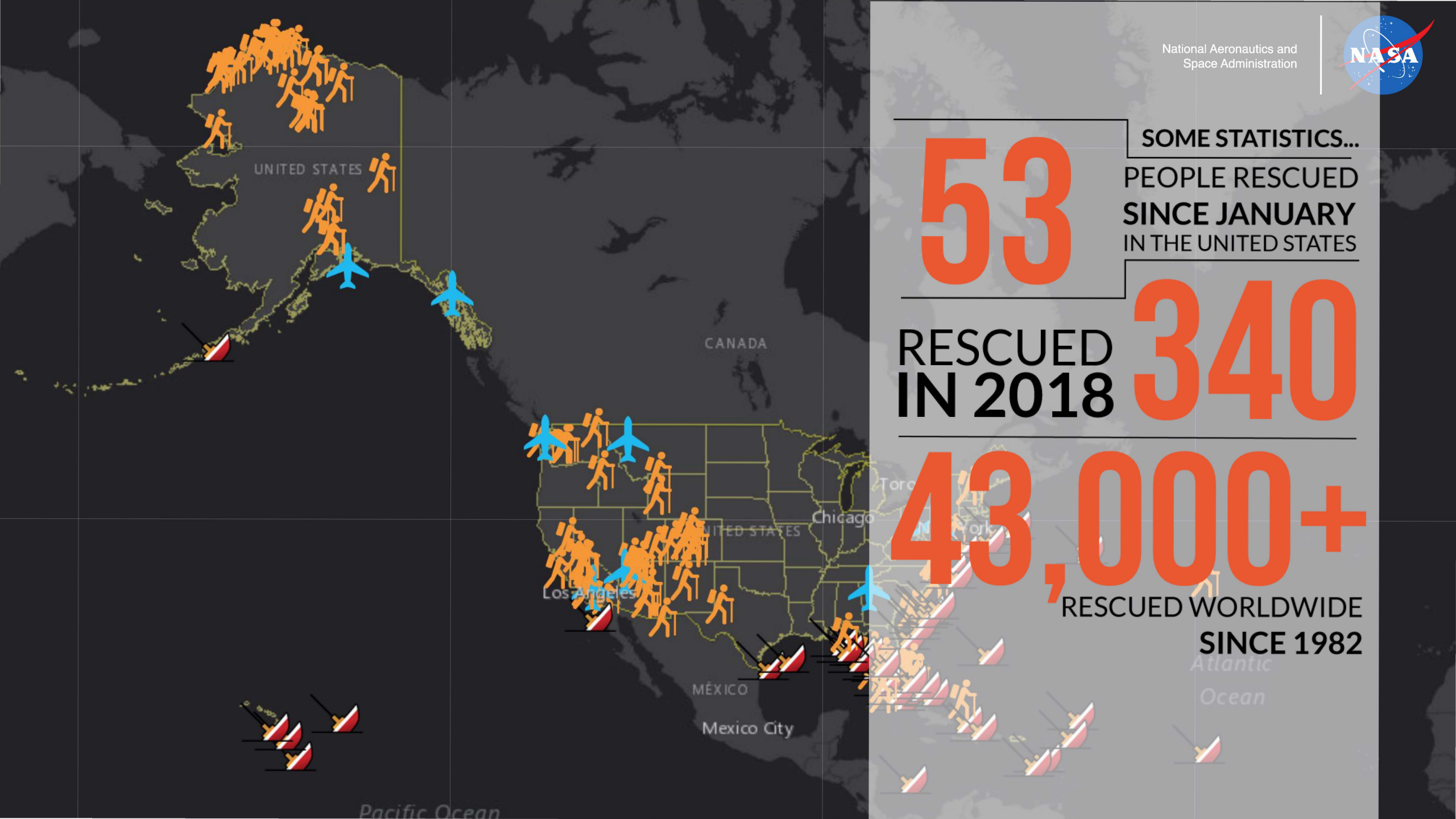
SOME STATISTICS...
PEOPLE RESCUED
SINCE JANUARY
IN THE UNITED STATES

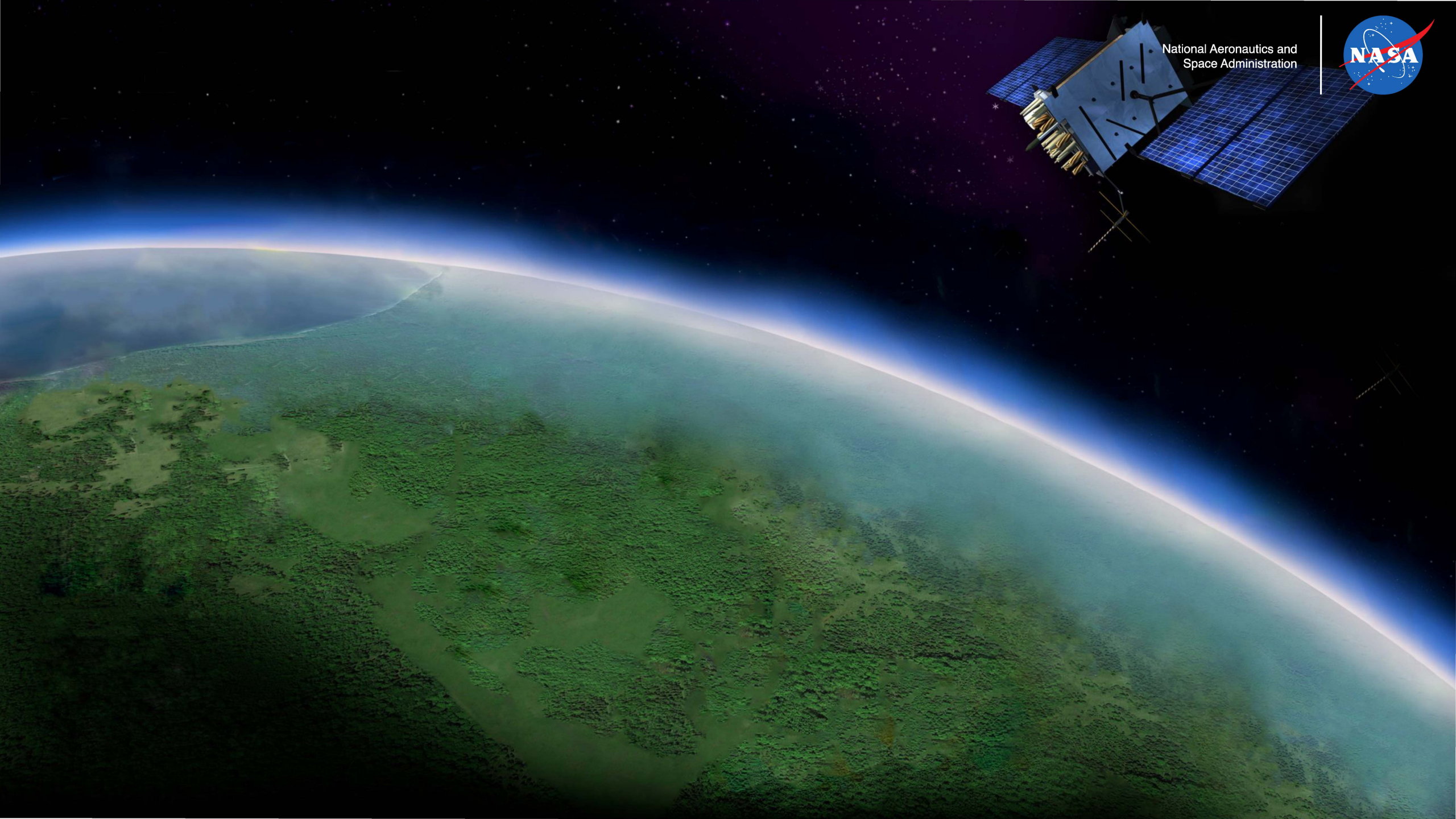
RESCUED
IN 2018

340

43,000+

RESCUED WORLDWIDE
SINCE 1982





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NASA'S ROLE

in search and rescue

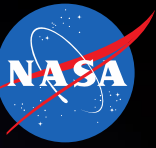
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THE POWER OF MEOSAR

our new system

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Near instantaneous beacon detection and location,
globally, at all times

Advanced location process using time and frequency
measurements of beacon signal to triangulate its location

Mitigates terrain blockage due to multiple look
angles from multiple moving satellites

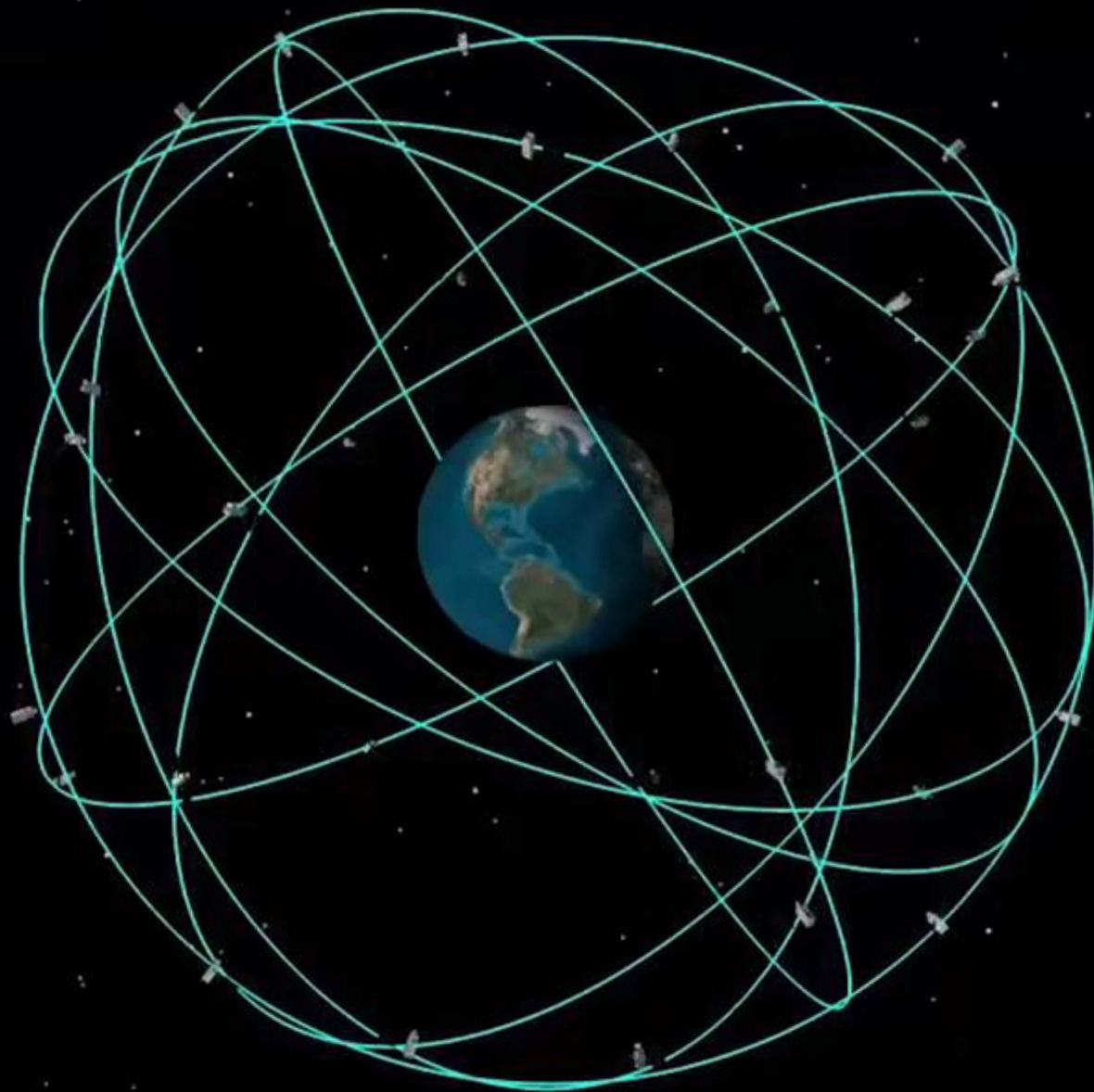
Robust space segment, well maintained
and highly redundant

Simple space segment repeater allows for
development of higher performance beacon signal

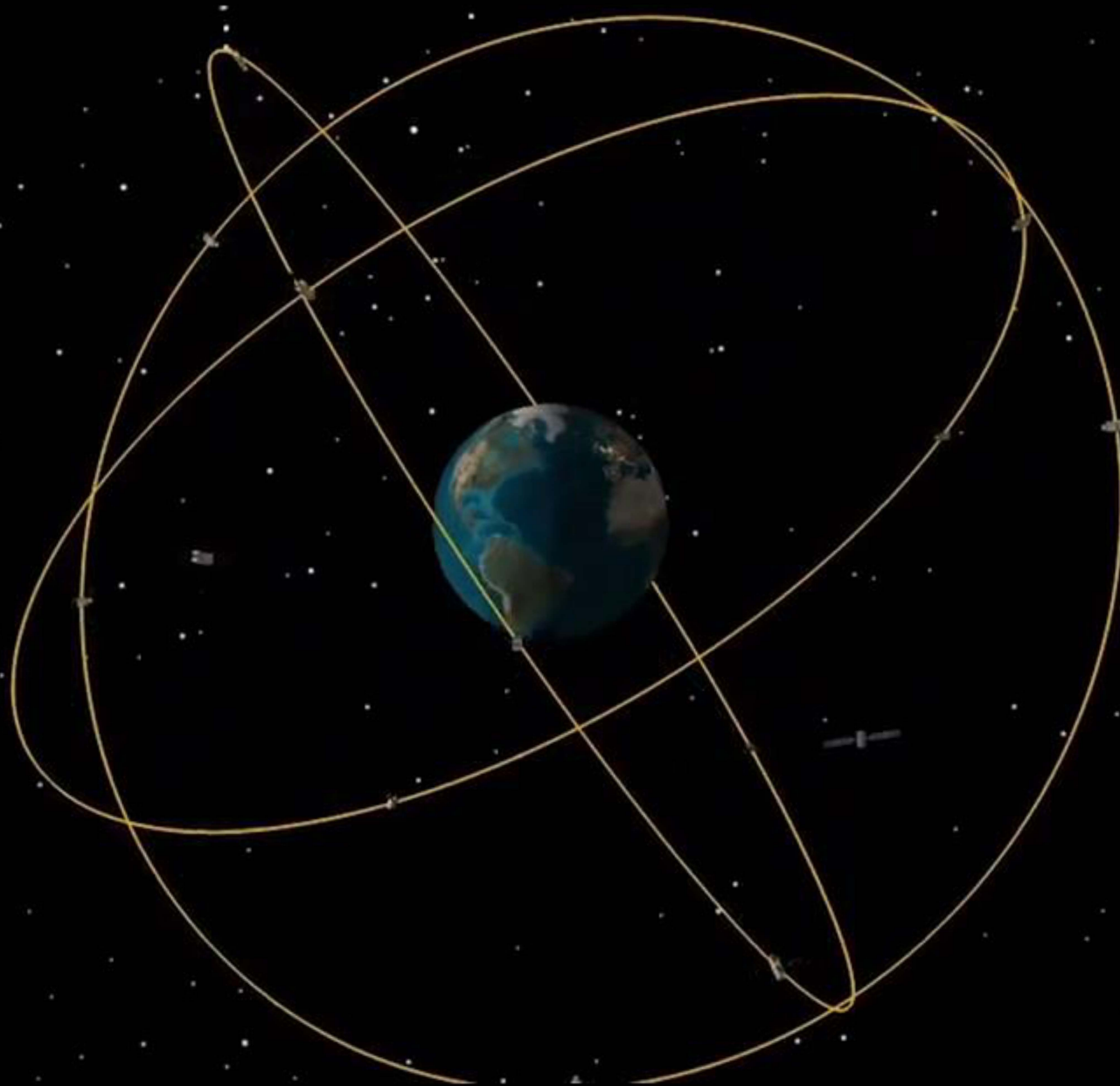




THE SPACE SEGMENT



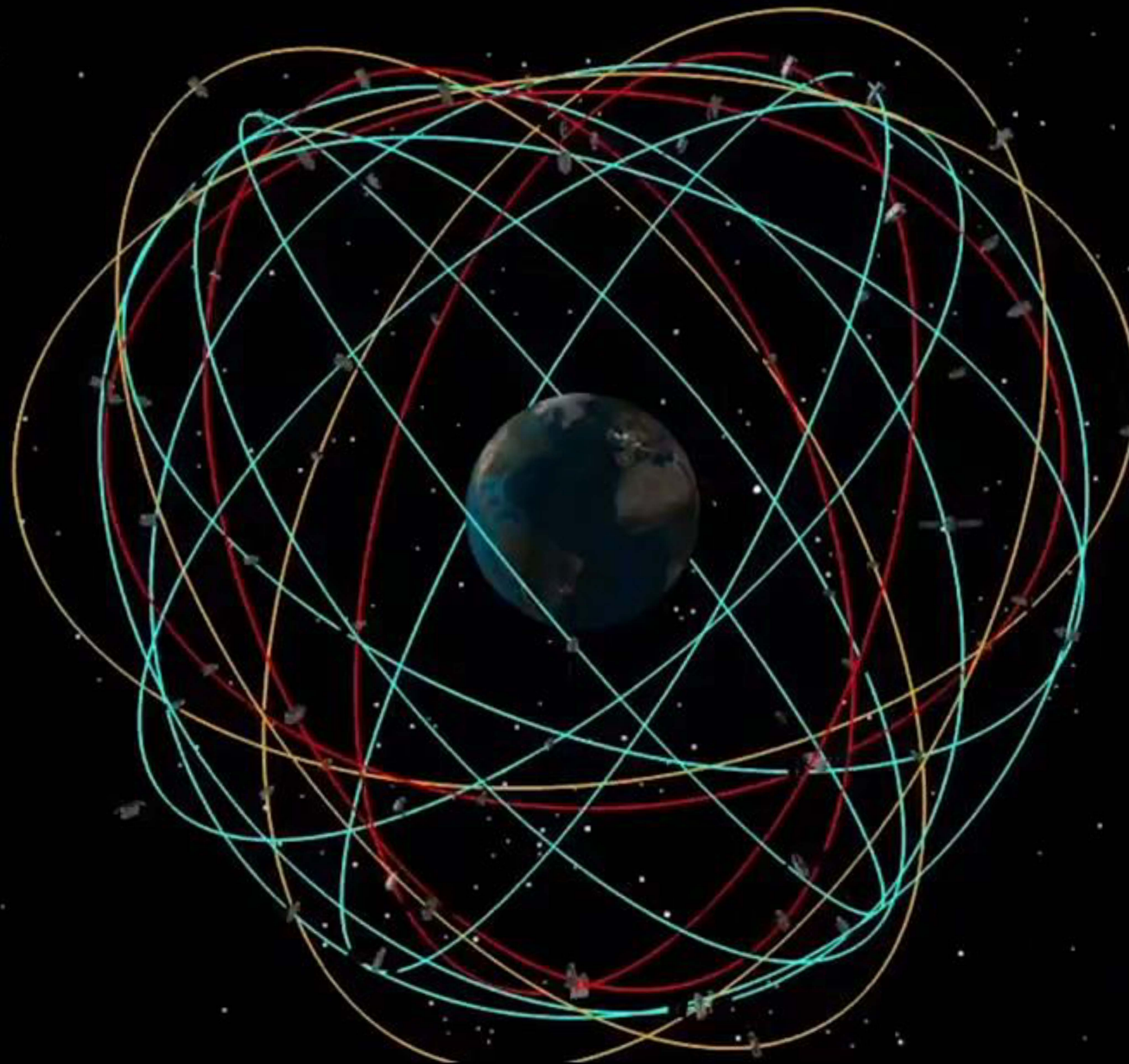
SAR/GPS



SAR/GALILEO



SAR/GLONASS



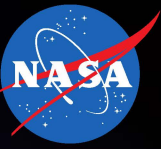
SAR/GNSS
Constellations



THE GROUND SEGMENT

THE SAR LAB

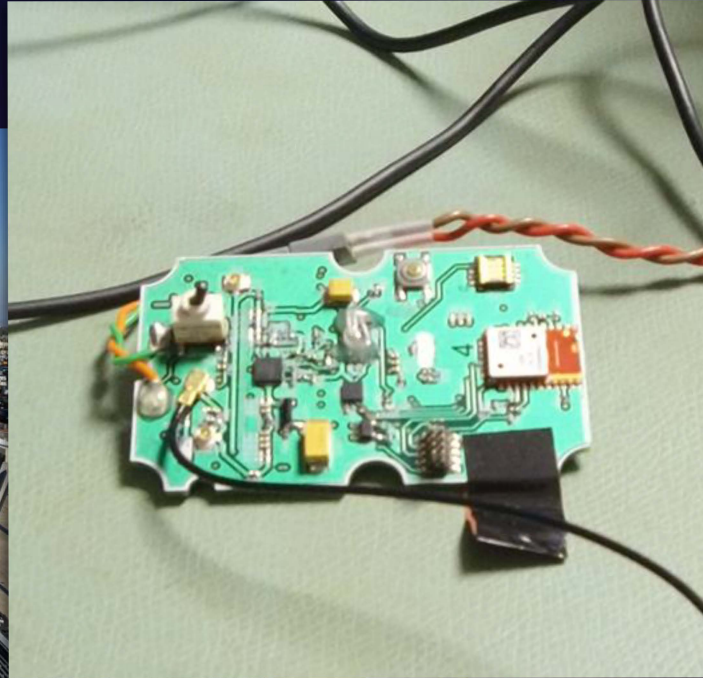
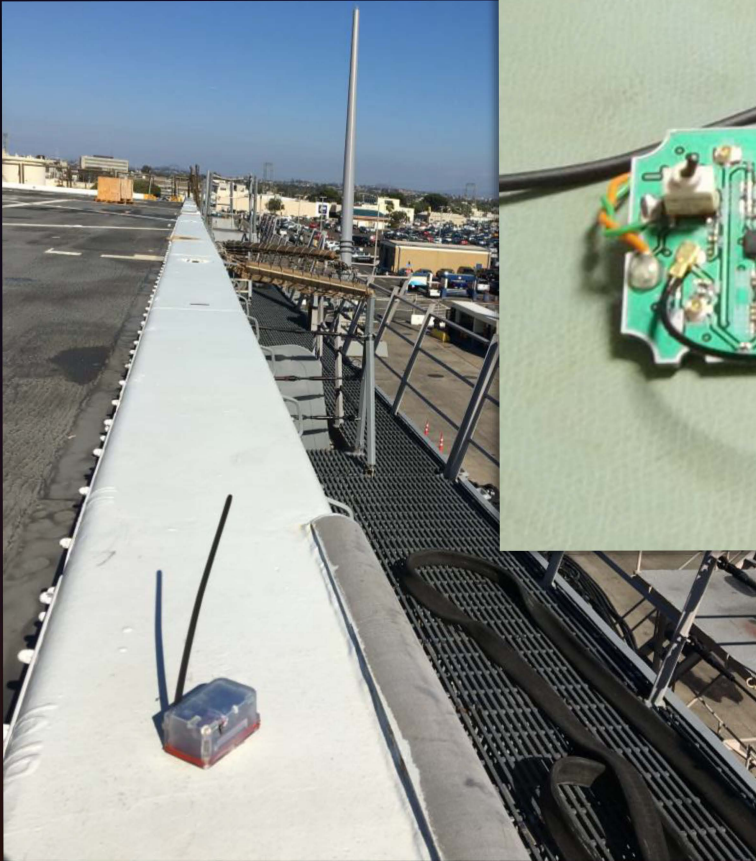




THE BEACON SEGMENT

NEW SECOND GENERATION BEACONS EQUAL:

Better accuracy
More data transmitted
Higher performance



SECOND GEN BEACONS



Capitalize on MEOSAR space segment
and improve system performance

- Detection probability, location accuracy and system capacity
- First burst location
- Intelligent transmitting
- Collaborate with manufacturers to obtain the most competitive end product
- Return Link Service: automatic acknowledgment, where return link message sent automatically when location of alert has been confirmed
- Cancellation function

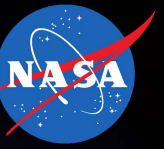






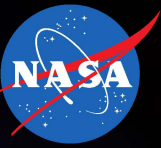
NASA'S ANGEL BEACONS

NASA astronauts
will be ANGEL's
first users



OPEN WATER TESTING WITH THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD





OUTDOOR POOL TESTING

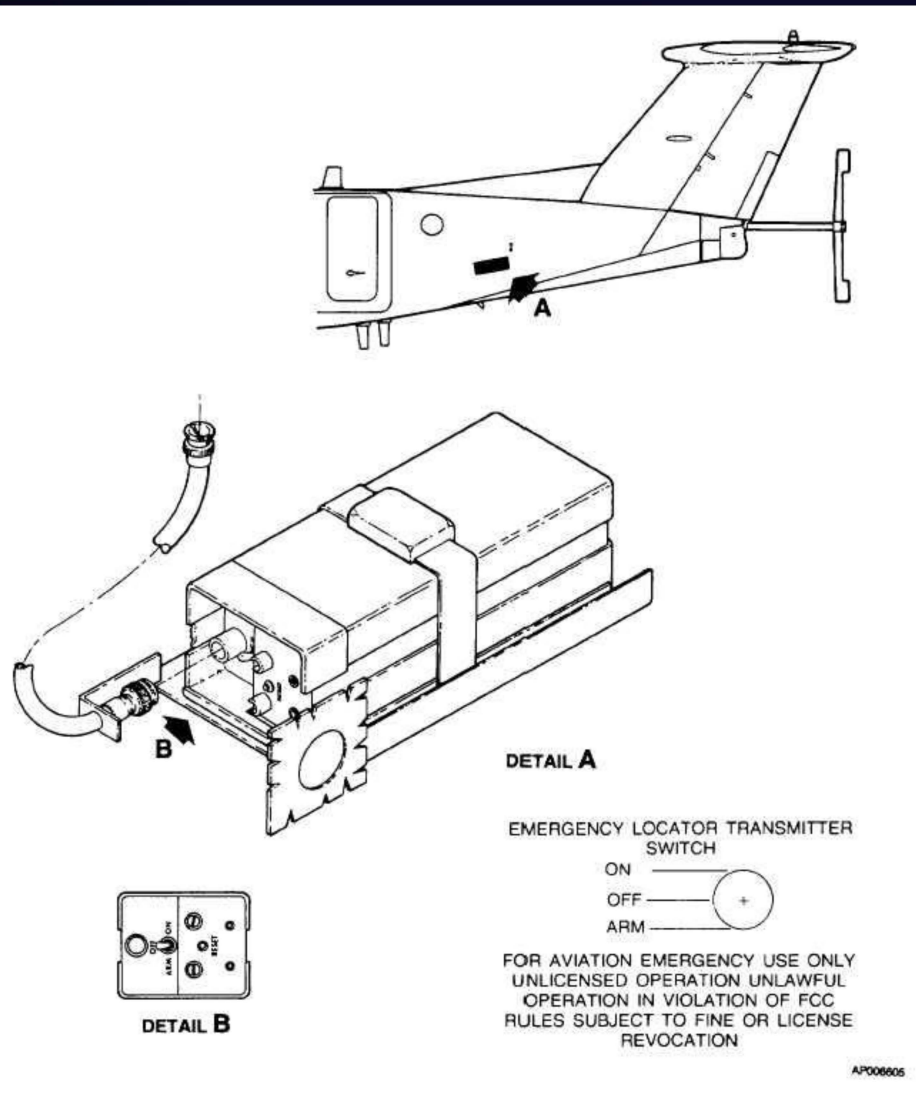


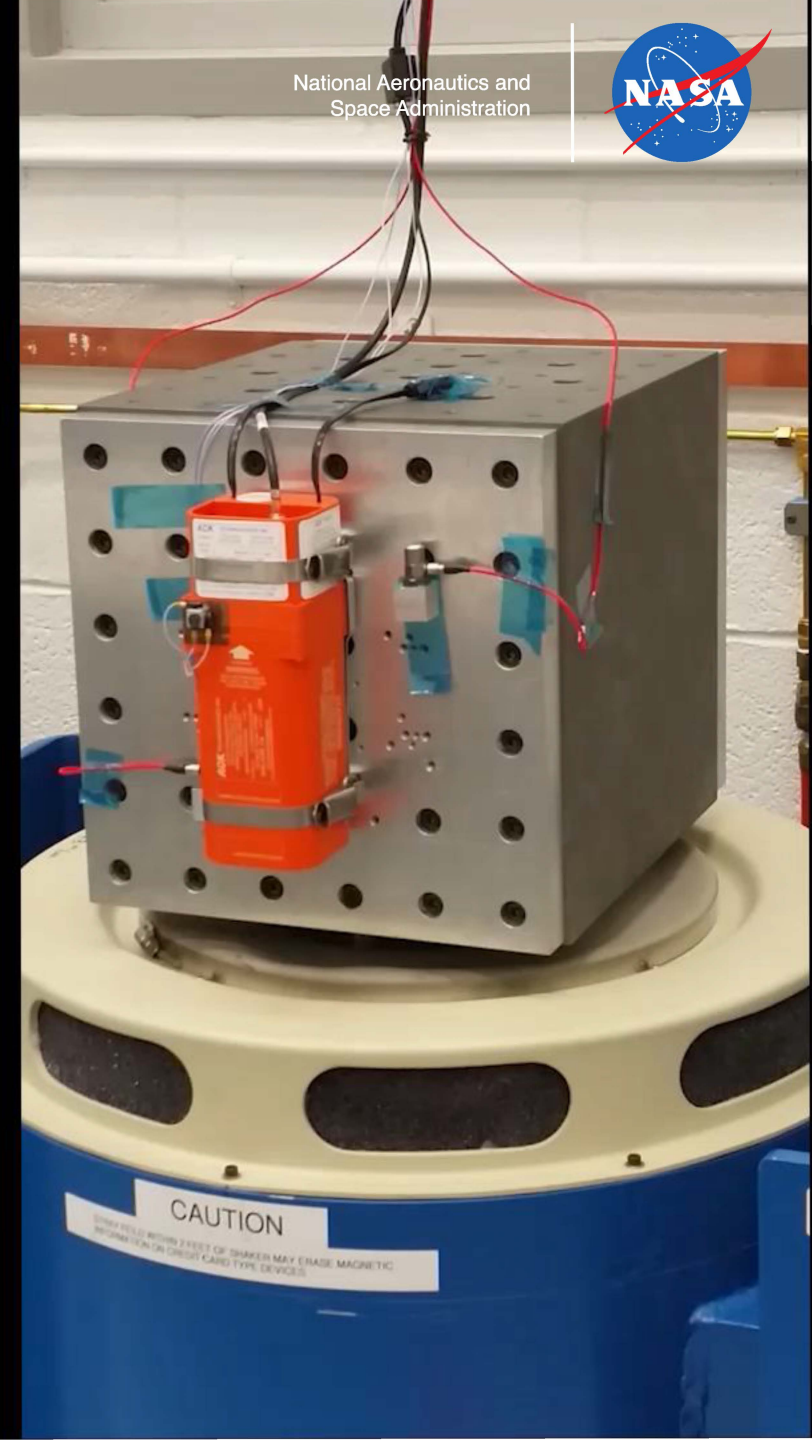
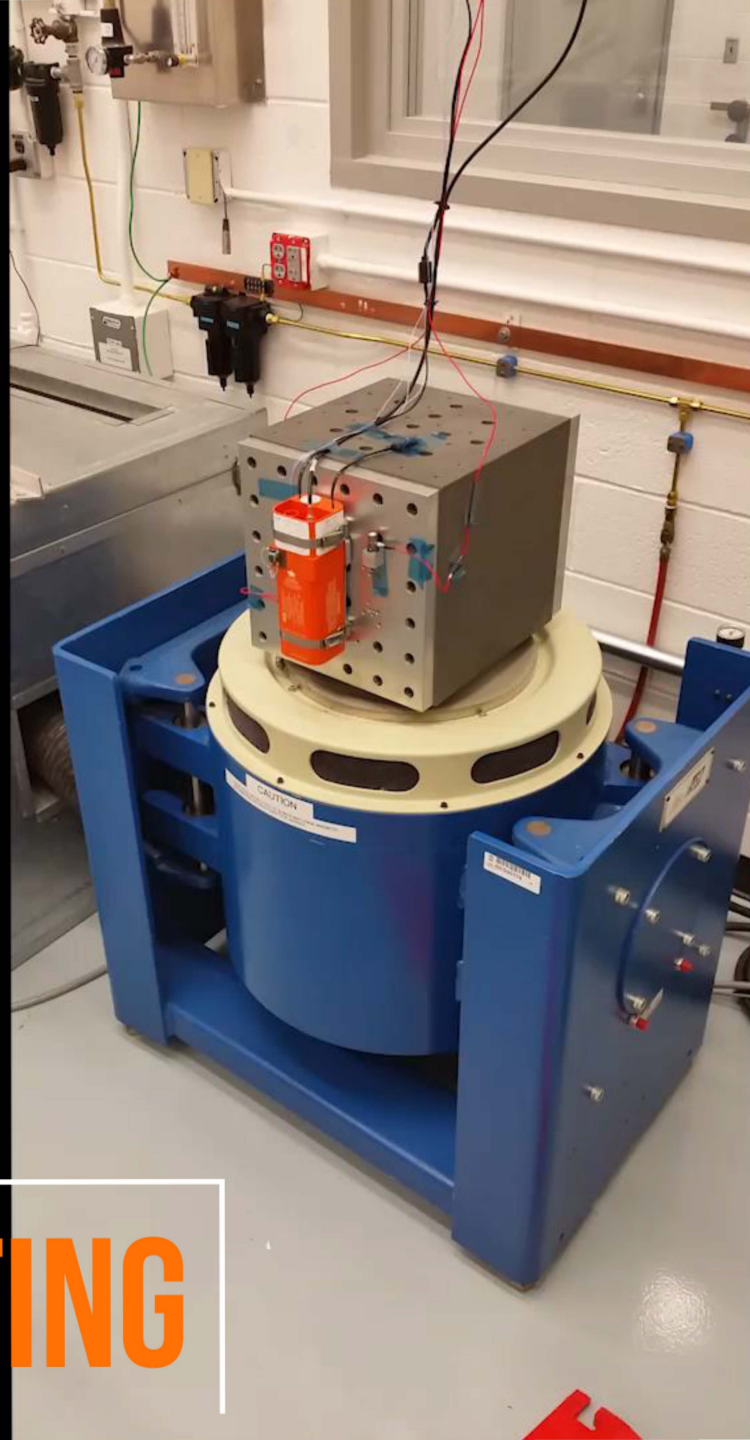
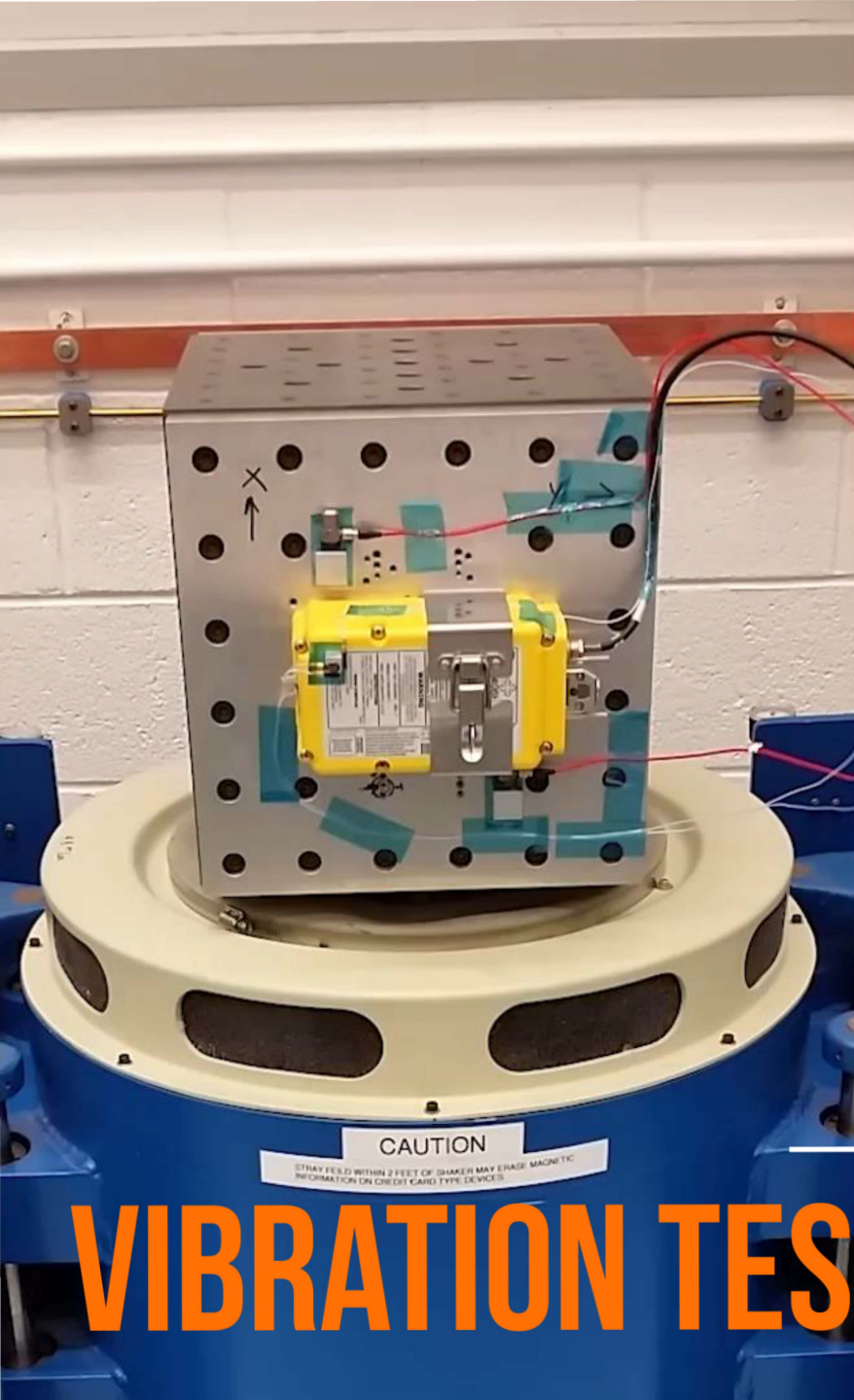
THE KEY TO SURVIVING A PLANE CRASH...

*is to have the right
equipment,
installed properly.*

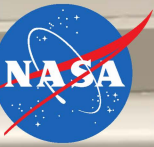


WHAT IS AN ELT?



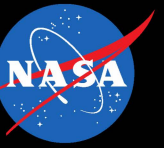
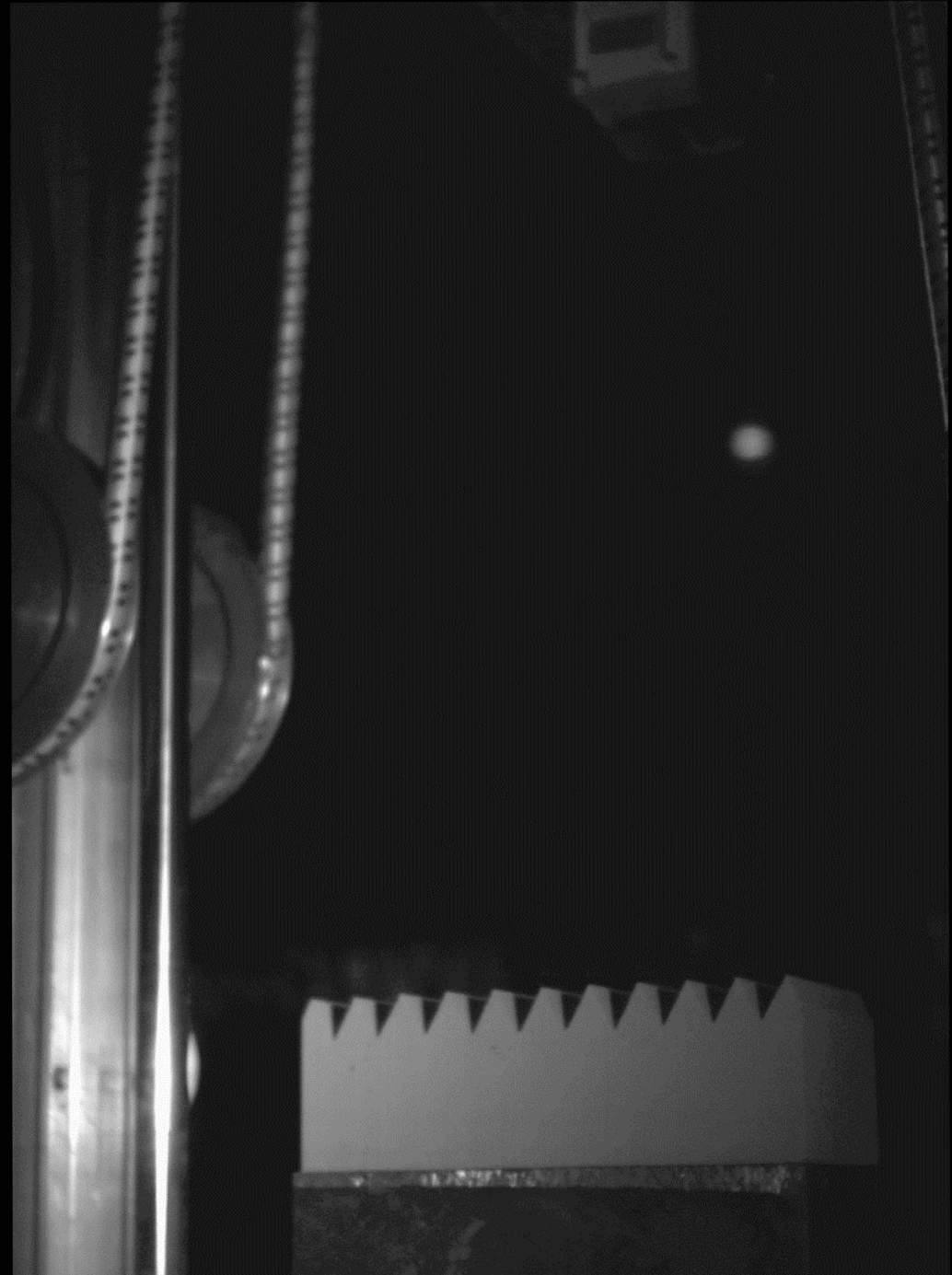


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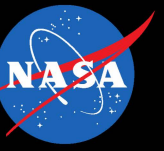
VIBRATION TESTING

DROP TESTING



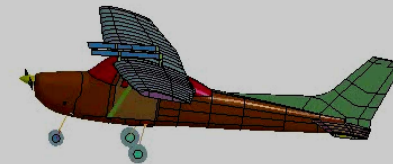
FIRE TESTING

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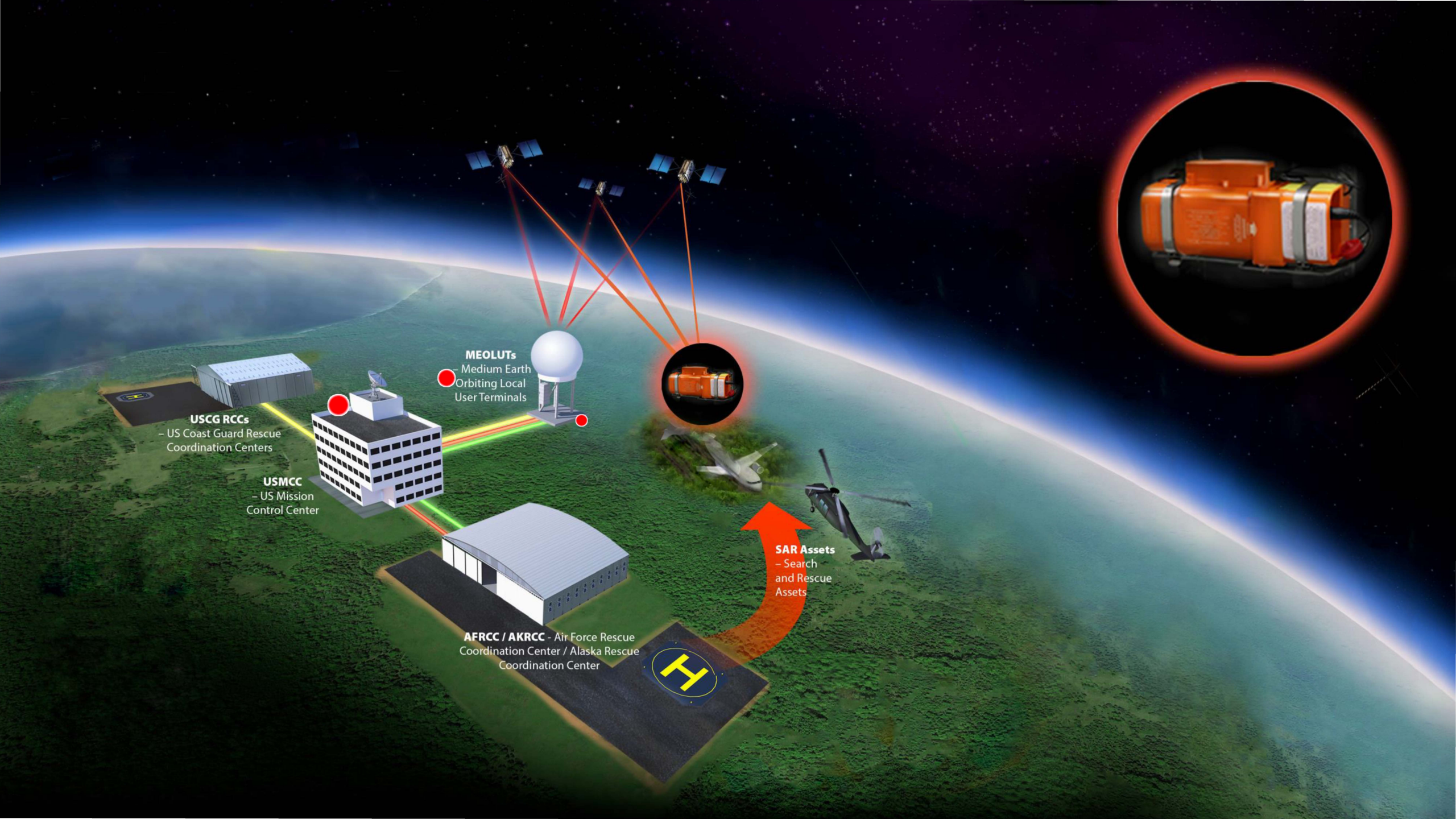


CRASH SIMULATION

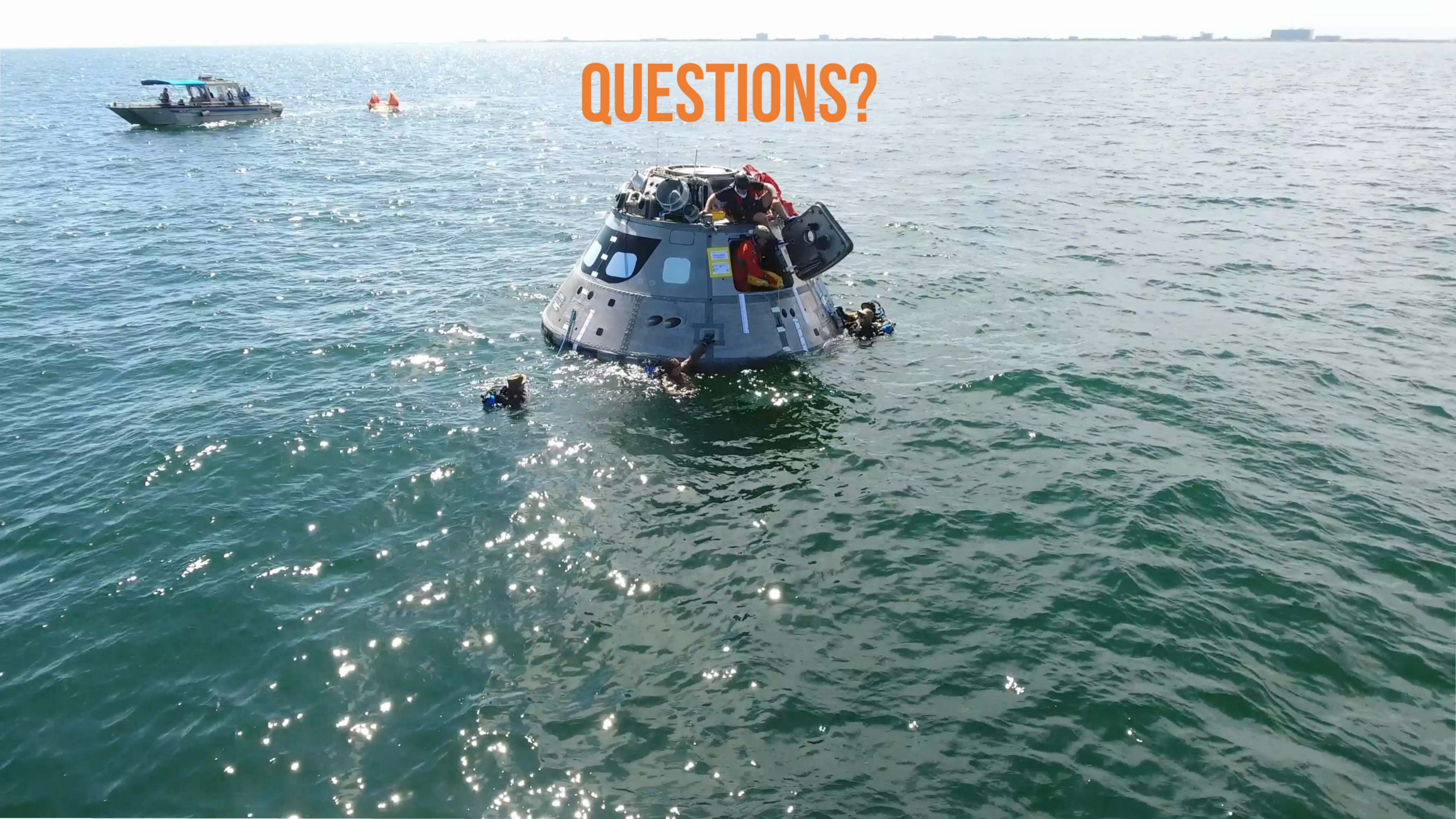
Case 10 - Swept Wing Cruise into soil April 7, 2016
Time = 0







QUESTIONS?



FOR FURTHER INFORMATION...

ESC - Search and Rescue

<https://esc.gsfc.nasa.gov/sar>

SARSAT-NOAA

<https://www.sarsat.noaa.gov/>

COSPAS-SARSAT

<https://www.cospas-sarsat.int/en/>

Emergency Locator Transmitter Survivability & Reliability Study 2017

<https://ntrs.nasa.gov/archive/nasa/casi.ntrs.nasa.gov/20170002586.pdf>

